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Testimony of Peggy Loeffler in Support of HB 5596--An Act Concerning the Right to Dry'

I live in a rural town in northwestern Connecticut and I have a 'solar clothes dryer', or, in other words, I have a clothesline outside. We have privacy in our backyard, but I enjoy seeing clothes on clotheslines whenever I drive by someone's house that isn't as private as ours. It means that someone took the time to utilize the sun's energy, not 'waste' it.

The sun will disinfect your bedding and clothes, and make them smell like fresh air. My family has stopped complaining about the initial stiffness of the towels before the first use. They have seen me trudge out to the backyard on snowshoes over 3 feet of snow to the clothesline to hang clothes on a sunny March or April day. Why waste the free energy?

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